

# SHOTS IN BELT

Merely a Wedding Party Indulging in Lark, Says a Sofia Correspondent.

NOT FIRED AT OFFICIAL

Turkey Said to Have Requested Recall of Ships Through Mr. Leishman.

VESSELS SAIL FROM GENOA

Washington Says Chekib Bey Has Not Presented His Credentials and Is Not in Favor.

LONDON, Monday.—The Sofia correspondent of the Times telegraphs that it is explained that the Beirut affair was merely a wedding party indulging in a few jokes, and the shots were not directed with any aim at the United States Vice Consul, Mr. Magelsen.

## TURKEY REQUESTS RECALL OF SHIPS?

Report That Mr. Leishman Sent It After Interview with Tewfik Pasha.

LONDON, Saturday.—A despatch from Constantinople, dated August 29, to the Exchange Telegraph Company, says it is understood that after an interview with the Foreign Minister, Tewfik Pasha, Minister Leishman requested Washington to recall the European squadron, which has been ordered to Beirut.

Since the representations made by the United States Minister, Mr. Leishman, regarding the attempt on the life of Mr. Magelsen, the authorities at Beirut are displaying a marked activity in their efforts to find the culprit.

The Turkish Embassy in London, in a statement issued to the press, says that reports of the murder of Vice Consul Magelsen at Beirut to be "absolutely false."

The cruisers will touch at Port Said for instructions.

GENOA, Saturday.—The United States cruisers Brooklyn and San Francisco sailed at twenty-five minutes past twelve P. M. to-day for Port Said, where they are to find instructions indicating their future movements.

## SHIPS WILL NOT BE RECALLED

Have Left Genoa for Beirut and Washington Has Received No Request from Mr. Leishman.

HERALD BUREAU, No. 111 FIFTH AVENUE, N. Y., WASHINGTON, D. C., Sunday.

The Acting Secretary of the Navy to-day received a message from Rear Admiral Cotton stating that the cruisers Brooklyn and San Francisco had sailed from Genoa for Beirut and expected to reach there by Friday.

Nothing is known here of the report by way of London that Minister Leishman, at the Turkish Embassy, has asked or will ask that the American ships be recalled. Up to a late hour to-night Secretary Hay had received no message to this effect. Indeed, the State Department has not heard from the American Minister to Turkey to-day.

No new orders have been sent to Rear Admiral Cotton, and none are contemplated. So far as known here to-night, it is the intention to keep the fleet going until it reaches Turkish waters. Any new move after that will depend on the situation.

Another day without further news from Constantinople about the attempted assassination of Vice Consul Magelsen at Beirut one week ago to-night leaves the Beirut situation just where it was yesterday. No further news from Washington is known.

Chekib Bey, the Turkish Minister, who yesterday declared that he was coming at once to Washington, did not call upon Secretary Hay to-day, nor has he any knowledge of when he is coming.

Chekib Bey has never presented his credentials to the State Department, and he is not expected to do so. He is coming at once to Washington, but he has not yet presented his credentials to the State Department, and he is not expected to do so.

Chekib Bey, who in the diplomatic list is named as second secretary of the Turkish Legation, and who is acting as Turkish Consul in New York City, has received a message from his Foreign Office denying the report that Mr. Magelsen was murdered. It is very unusual for a government to send such communications to a Minister's subordinate when the Minister is in the country, and this may be some indication of the attitude of the Turkish government.

Although no officials of the State Department would make any conjectures in the event that Turkey should ask a withdrawal of the fleet on the ground that it is a hindrance to the completion of American business, it is not likely that the Turkish government would make such a request.

Representatives of the American Board of Commissioners for Foreign Missions at Constantinople are reported to be in the city, and they are expected to be in the city for some time.

Demands made by Mr. Leishman on the part of the United States and Turkey, about a year ago, have been reported to be in the city, and they are expected to be in the city for some time.

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# Ibsen, Norway's Greatest Dramatist, Critically Ill

Long Unrecognized by His Own Country, Now Acknowledged Its Foremost Playwright.

ENGLISH VOGUE RECENT

Little Known Here Until "Doll's House" Earned Plaudits of Critics and Audiences.

HIS THEORIES OF SOCIETY

Preaches the Doctrine of Right Thinking as a Cure for the Evils of Humanity.

Mr. Henrik Ibsen's critical illness recalls the fact that his vogue among the English speaking races is a recent one. It is true that he was introduced to us by Edmund Gosse in 1870. But the introduction remained only a formal one. We knew him as a man who had recently been acclaimed the greatest dramatist of far off Norway. But we did not read his books as we read those of his younger countryman and rival, Bjornstjerne Bjornson.

We had no opportunity to witness the production of his dramas. In fact, it was not until his "Doll's House" was produced in Christiania, in 1879, that he became a vital force, and not a mere name, outside of the limits of his native country.

Even then his progress was slow. From Norway and Sweden his fame as a satirist of the present, as a prophet of the future, spread first to Denmark, then to Germany, then to France (where his Nora, with its infinite feminine complexities, was hailed as a masterpiece of the modern drama).

Indeed, even in his own country Ibsen's rise to fame had been achieved only after many years of strenuous effort. In fact, he was a mere unknown quantity when he arrived in London, in 1891, in fact, was thirty-nine years of age, and had been in London for only a few years.

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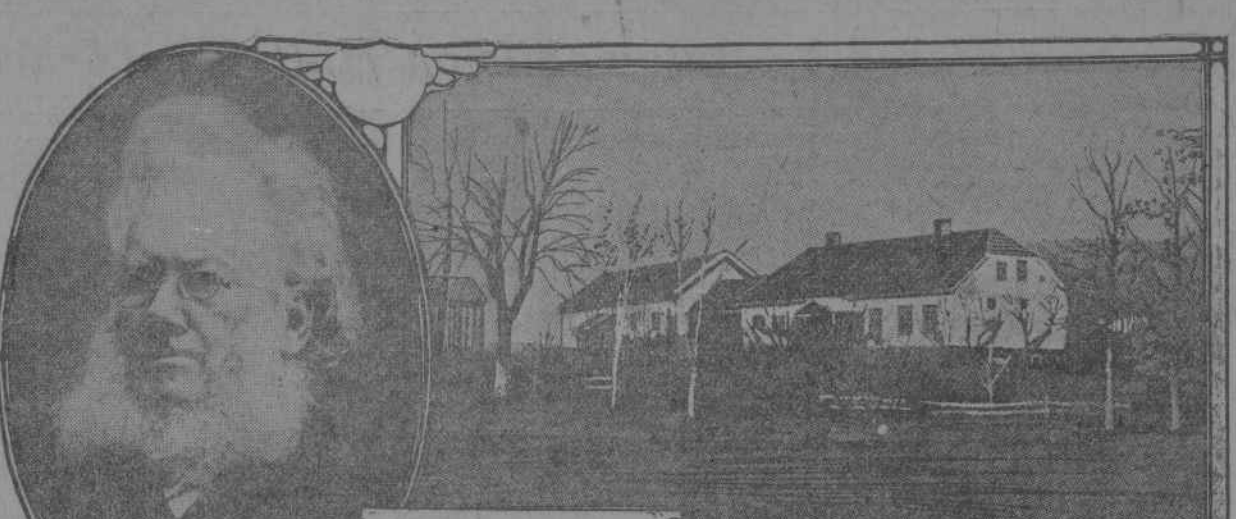
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# Ibsen's Birth Place, Aiken



HENRIK IBSEN

less all its component parts are freed. Without emancipation truth is impossible. In his Hedda Gabler, in Nora, in A Doll's House, in The Master Builder, through the influence of traditional training and environment, is actually undermined the pillars of society. But he sees in per a gigantic force for good if allowed his right and free outlet, and an equally gigantic force for evil if dammed up or diverted into unnatural channels.

And so, for women as for men, he holds out a new era when the old, with its narrow, killing sixty soldiers. They also and its pitiful cowardice, shall be behind us like a museum open for inspection.

Ibsen was married in 1858 and has one son, Sigurd, of whom much is expected. He is a scholar, a diplomat and an ardent liberal in politics. He recently made an apparently ideal marriage with the daughter of Bjornstjerne Bjornson.

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# ALASKA BOAT RACE

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[SPECIAL CABLE TO THE HERALD.] The Herald's European edition publishes the following from its correspondent:—

LONDON, Sunday.—Mr. Elihu Root, Secretary of War, and third member of the Alaska Boundary Commission for the United States, and Mr. John W. Foster, agent for the United States in the case, arrived to-day on the Celtic. Senators Lodge and Turner, the other two members of the commission, are expected from the Continent to-morrow.

Mr. Root, accompanied by Mrs. Root, Miss Root, and his secretary, Mr. L. P. Marion, is stopping at the Hyde Park Hotel.

Mr. J. W. Foster, who is at the Carleton, where the offices of the commission will be established to-morrow, is accompanied by Mrs. Foster. His staff, which is at the same hotel, consists of Judge Jacob M. Dickinson and Mr. David T. Watson, a prominent lawyer of Pittsburgh, who are counsel for the United States before the tribunal; Mr. Hannis Taylor, former United States Minister to Spain; Mr. C. P. Anderson, of New York, junior counsel; Mr. Robert Lansing, of Watertown, N. Y., General Foster's associate in preparing the case; Mrs. Lansing and Mrs. Anderson. There are also with the party several typewriters and stenographers, brought over from Washington for routine work.

May End in Two Months. I saw Mr. Root to-morrow after his arrival. He said he had had a pleasant voyage, but begged to be excused from discussing the work of the commission. He, however, expressed the opinion that the work before the tribunal would be finished by the middle of autumn.

Mr. Foster said to me that the case for the United States filled two large volumes, with maps and prints.

The work before the commission, said Mr. Foster, "is to decide where runs the boundary line between Alaska and Canada, the main question being whether it runs across inlets or arms of the sea. For you must remember, the Alaskan coast is somewhat similar to the coast of Norway—or whether it runs around them."

The Rival Claims. "The Canadian contention is that it cuts across, leaving the United States with a lot of isolated, rocky promontories. Our contention is that the line runs around the heads of inlets and therefore gives Canada no access to the ocean."

"As to the duration of the session of the commission, well—that is a lawsuit, and you know what a lawsuit is. Still, I anticipate that this one will not take a great while."

Neither Mr. Root nor Mr. Foster was able to say whether the proceedings of the commission would be public or not, though the latter thought that the records established by the Behring Sea Commission, that of open sessions, would be followed.

MR. CHOATE TO GIVE DINNER First Meeting of Boundary Commission To Be Held on Thursday.

[BY THE ASSOCIATED PRESS.] LONDON, Sunday.—Mr. Choate, the United States Ambassador, has arranged to give a dinner in honor of Secretary Root, at which all the American and British representatives will be present.

At the first meeting of the Commission, next Thursday, the Americans and Canadians will submit their briefs, which will be followed by a discussion of the arguments regarding the interpretation of the treaty. The commission will then proceed to the consideration of the facts and arguments.

The controversy centres upon Canada's claim that the line between Alaska and Canada runs across the inlets and arms of the sea, while the United States claims that it runs around them. The commission will have to decide which is the correct interpretation.

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